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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF RETURN OF NON-ENEMY COMBATANT

REF: A. STATE 90491

[B](#). STATE 80698

[C](#). STATE 88745

Classified By: Ambassador Thomas Krajeski for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#). (C) On May 18 Ambassador delivered Combatant Status Review Tribunal (CSRT) notification to Foreign Minister Abubakr al-Qirbi regarding the release of a Yemeni detainee from GTMO (ref A). Ambassador asked Qirbi to confirm the ROYG's willingness to accept this individual, as well as other Yemeni nationals who are determined to no longer be a threat to U.S. national security by the CSRT process.

[2](#). (C) Ambassador told the FM that upon release from GTMO, Yemeni nationals determined to be non-enemy combatants, would no longer be under USG control and that any decision on further detention or prosecution would be solely up to the ROYG. Ambassador also asked whether or not the ROYG would detain such individuals upon their return and stressed that they should be treated humanely. Qirbi accepted the information without immediate comment. Post will follow-up with the MFA to obtain a formal reply to this demarche.

[3](#). (C) Ambassador also delivered ref B and C notification of Combatant Status Review Tribunal decisions to continued detention of listed detainees. As in the past, the FM accepted the lists without comment.  
Krajeski